Parity in procurement of equipment

1913. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BSNL is demanding for parity in procurement of equipment with private telecom operators; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Given the nature of public and private sectors, there cannot be an absolute parity between them in the matter of procurement. While BSNL has not demanded any parity in procurement of equipment with private telecom operators, its concern was in respect of the proposed initiative of promoting indigenous telecom manufacturing in its procurements.

(b) Indigenous manufacture of telephone equipments is felt desirable with the objective, *inter alia*, of the availability of desired quality/standard products at competitive rates, immediate availability of after-sales services and development of new technologies in the Country. A procurement framework, whereby only vendors who indigenously manufacture (or have definite plans to do so) certain telecom products are alone eligible for procurement is under active consideration by BSNL and MTNL.

Computerisation of post offices in NER

1914. SHRI .T.R. ZELIANG : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of post offices in the States of North Eastern Region which have been computerised so far;

(b) the number of post offices to be computerised during the financial year 2005-06, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to computerise all existing Post Offices of North Eastern Region including Nagaland?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) 29 Head

Post Offices and 189 large Sub-Post Offices will be computerised in the States of North Eastern Region under the Tenth Plan scheme of computerisation of Post Offices. Till date all 29 Head Post Offices and 147 large Sub-Post Offices have been provided with computers. The details of such Post Offices, State-wise, are given in Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) The number of Post Offices proposed for computerisation during the financial year 2005-06, State-wise, are given in Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) Only the large Post Offices (having more than two public counters) all over India including those located in North Eastern Region will be computerised during the Tenth Plan period. Remaining Post Offices may be taken up for computerisation subsequently subject to required approvals and availability of funds.

Statement-I

State-wise List of Computerised Post Offices in North Eastern Region (HO-Head Post Office; MDG-Mukhya Dak Ghar; Rest are Sub Post Offices)

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
Arunachal Pradesh		
1.	Itanagar HO	791111
2.	Bomdila MDG	790001
3.	Tawang	790104
4.	Along MDG	791001
5.	Pasighat MDG	791102
6.	Naharlagun	791110
7.	Ziro MDG	791120
8.	Daporijo	791122
9.	Tezu MDG	792001
10.	Roing	792110
11.	Namsai	792103
12.	Khonsa	786630

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
Assam		
13.	Barpeta HO	781301
14.	Dhubri HO	783301
15.	Dibrugarh HO	786001
16.	Diphu HO	782460
17.	Golaghat HO	785621
18.	Guwahati HO	781001
19.	Guwahati University HO	781014
20.	Hailakandi HO	788151
21.	Jorhat HO	785001
22.	Karimganj HO	788710
23.	Kokrajhar HO	783370
24.	Mangaldoi HO	784125
25.	Nagaon HO	782001
26.	Nalbari HO	781335
27.	North Lakhmipur HO	787001
28.	Sibsagar HO	785640
29.	Silchar HO	788001
30.	Tezpur HO	784001
31.	Tinsukia HO	786125
32.	Badarpur	788806
33.	Barpeta Road	781315
34.	Chabua	786684
35.	Dispur	781005
36.	Doom Dooma	786151
37.	Duliajan	786602
38.	Hojai	782435
39.	Lumding	782447
40.	Margherita	786181

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
41.	Mariani	785634
42.	Morigaon	782105
43.	Nazira	785685
44.	Tangla	784521
45.	Khanapara	781022
46.	Noonmati	781020
47.	Silpukhuri	781003
48.	Rangia	781354
49.	Pathsala	781325
50.	Abhayapuri	783384
51.	Goalpara	783101
52.	K P Ghat	784111
53.	Roha	782103
54.	Lanka	782101
55.	Bijni	783390
56.	Bilasipara	783390
57.	Gauripur	783331
58.	Golokganj	783334
59.	New Bongaigaon	783381
60.	Gossoigaon	783360
61.	Sapaigram	783337
62.	Bamunimaidan	781021
63.	Bharallumukh	781009
64.	Pattan Bazar	781008
65.	Rehabari	781008
66.	Assam Tribune	781003
67.	Pandu	781012
68.	Bijoynagar	781112
69.	Boko	781123

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
70.	Chhaygaon	781124
71.	Hajo	781102
72.	Mirza	781125
73.	Sorbhog	781317
74.	Tihu	781371
75.	Tambulpur	781367
76.	Mohanbari	786012
77.	Barbarua	786007
78.	Dikom	786101
79.	Lahoal	786010
80.	Dhemaji	787057
81.	Bihupria	784161
82.	Dhakuakhana	787030
83.	Silapathar	787059
84.	Panchgram	788802
85.	Ramkrishna-Nagar	788166
86.	Chandkhira	788725
87.	Karimganj Bazar	788711
88.	Nilam Bazar	788722
89.	Patharkandi	788724
90.	Arunachal	788025
91.	C.C. College	788004
92.	Tarapru	788003
93.	Baskandi	788101
94.	Dewanjbazar	788001
95.	Silchar Medical College	788014
96.	Sonaimukh	788119
97.	Haibargaon	782002
98.	Dhing	782123

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
99.	Jogiroad	782410
100.	Jakhalabandha	782136
101.	Kampur	782426
102.	Kalaigaon	784525
103.	Mazbat	784507
104.	Rangapara	784505
105.	Simalugouri	785686
106.	Ledo	786182
107.	Makum Jn.	786170
108.	Panitola	786183
109.	Senairambazar	786125
110.	A.M.C. Dibrugarh	786002
111.	Assam Sachivalaya	781006
112.	Ulubari	781007
113.	Bongaigaon	783380
114.	Chariali	784176
115.	Dergaon	785614
116.	Dhekiajuli	784110
117.	Digboi	786171
118.	Fancy Bazar	781001
119.	Gohpur	784168
120.	Haflong	788819
121.	Maligaon Rly. Hq.	781011
122.	Rangirkhari	788005
Manipur		
123.	Imphal HO	795001
124.	Imphal Bazar	795001
125.	Lamphelpat	795004
126.	Churachandpur MDG	795128

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
127.	Thoubal MDG	795138
128.	Ukhrul	795142
Meghalaya		
129.	Shillong HO	793001
130.	Tura HO	794001
131.	Assam Rifles	793003
132.	Laban	793004
133.	Rynjah	793006
134.	Happy valley	793007
135.	Nongstoin	793119
136.	lewduh	793002
137.	Laitumkhrah	793003
138.	Nonglyer	793009
139.	Nongthymmai	793014
140.	Jowai	793150
Mizoram		
141.	Aizawal HO	796001
142.	Chandmary	796007
143.	Kolasib	796081
144.	Lunglei	796701
145.	Saiha	796901
Nagaland		
146.	Kohima HO	797001
147.	Dimapur MDG	797112
148.	ARTC	797115
149.	Mokokchung MDG	798601
150.	Tuensang MDG	798612
151.	Mon MDG	798621
152.	Wokha	797111

Sl.No.	Name of Post Office	Pin
Sikkim		
153.	Gangtok HO	737101
Tripura		
154.	Agartala HO	799001
155.	Dharmanagar HO	799250
156.	Radhakishorpur HO	799120
157.	Agartala Sectt.	799001
158.	Beloniya	799155
159.	Kamalpur	799285
160.	Ramnagar	799002
161.	Arundhutinagar	799003
162.	Agartala College	799004
163.	Kunjaban	799006
164.	Agartala Aerodrome	799009
165.	Amarpur	799101
166.	Bishalgarh	799102
167.	Melagarh	799115
168.	Udaipur Court	799116
169.	Sonamura	799131
170.	Santir Bazar	799144
171.	Sabroom	799145
172.	Khowai	799201
173.	Teliamura	799205
174.	Kumarghat	799281
175.	Kailashahar MDG	799277
176.	Ambassa	799289

Statement-II

Number of Post Offices to be Computerised During 2005-06, State-wise

Sl. No.	State	No. of Post Offices proposed for computerisation during 2005-06
1	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil
2	Assam	40
3	Manipur	Nil
4	Meghalaya	Nil
5	Mizoram	01
6	Nagaland	Nil
7	Sikkim	01
8	Tripura	Nil

Mobile services in Uttaranchal

†1915. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that quality of mobile telephone services in several parts of the Uttaranchal has deteriorated steeply during the last few months;

(b) whether such areas have been identified where mobile services have been hampered; and

(c) if so, the details of the steps being taken for improving the quality of mobile phone services in Uttaranchal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) and (b) In terms of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Act 1997, TRAI is, *inter-alia*, mandated to monitor the Quality of Service (QoS) parameters of the mobile services provided by licensed mobile service providers in the country. As per the performance monitoring reports

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.